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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Request for Reconsideration in response to the Final Official Action mailed September 10, 2001. Applicants request that the Examiner take one final look at the present application in light of the arguments presented herein. In particular, Applicants submit that the newly cited reference fails to provide the teachings missing from the primary reference (Shwed). Applicants further submit that the references may not be properly combined to result in the recitations of the pending claims. Finally, Applicants submit that the Final Official Action has failed to establish a prima facie case of obviousness for many of the dependent claims as it fails to identify where in the cited references and how each of the recitations of the claims is found. Accordingly, Applicants request allowance of the pending claims for at least these reasons.

In the interest of brevity, Applicants will not repeat all of the arguments made in Applicants' previous Amendment, however, in the interest of completeness those arguments are incorporated herein in their entirety as they are applicable to the pending rejections as well.